Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A ~~removable~~ modular hybrid power source ~~for use in~~ configured to convert to hybrid operation a host machine ~~that operates~~ that is not configured for hybrid operation, the host machine designed and built to operate on electrical power supplied by a removable battery contained in a battery compartment, the host machine having a peak power demand, comprising:

a housing sized to fit within the battery compartment;

an electrical power generator disposed within said housing and sized to supply less than the peak power demand of the host machine;

a battery disposed within said housing, said battery sized to supply at least that portion of the peak power demand of the host machine not supplied by the electrical power generator; [[and]]

a power control module disposed within said housing and coupled to said battery and said electrical power generator and arranged to supply power to the host machine from either said battery ~~or said generator~~ or from both said battery and said generator, and

a remotely mounted operator interface module connected to the power control module.

2. (Original) The power source of claim 1, wherein said electrical power generator further comprises:

an internal combustion engine; and

an electrical generator coupled to said internal combustion engine.

3. (Original) The power source of claim 1, wherein said electrical power generator further comprises a fuel cell.

4. – 5. (Canceled)

6. (Original) The power source of claim 2, wherein said internal combustion engine is a spark ignition engine.

7. (Original) The power source of claim 2, wherein said internal combustion engine is a compression ignition engine.

8. (Original) The power source of claim 2, wherein said internal combustion engine is a rotary engine.

9. (Original) The power source of claim 2, wherein said internal combustion engine is a reciprocating engine.

10. – 11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) An electric vehicle designed and built to operate on electrical power supplied by a removable battery contained in a battery compartment, the electric vehicle having a peak power requirement, comprising:

a modular hybrid power source electrically coupled to the electric vehicle, said power source configured to convert to hybrid operation a host machine that is not configured for hybrid operation, said power source comprising:

a housing sized to fit within the battery compartment;

an electrical power generator disposed within said housing and sized to supply less than the peak power requirement of the electric vehicle;

a battery disposed within said housing, said battery sized to supply at least that portion of the peak power requirement of the electric vehicle not supplied by the electrical power generator; [[and]]

a power control module disposed within said housing and coupled to said battery, to said electrical power generator and to said electric vehicle, said power control module configured to supply power to the electric vehicle from either said battery ~~or said generator~~ or from both said battery and said generator, and

a remotely mounted operator interface module connected to the power control module.

13. (Previously Presented) The electric vehicle of claim 12 wherein said electric vehicle is a forklift further comprising a lifting mechanism coupled to said electric vehicle.

14. (Currently Amended) The electric vehicle ~~disclosed in~~ of claim 12 wherein said electric vehicle is a work platform further comprising a lifting mechanism coupled to said electric vehicle.

15. (Previously Presented) The electric vehicle of claim 12, wherein said housing is removable as a unit.

16. (Original) The power source of claim 1, wherein said electrical power generator further comprises:

an external combustion engine; and

an electrical generator coupled to said external combustion engine.

17. (Original) The power source of claim 16, wherein said external combustion engine is a gas turbine.

18. (New) The power source as claimed in claim 1, wherein said interface module is configured to provide information to an operator about said electrical power generator.

19. (New) The power source as claimed in claim 1, wherein said interface module allows an operator to select between a manual and an automatic operation of said electrical power generator, wherein, in a manual operation of said electrical power generator, said operator may turn said electrical power generator on and off as desired, and wherein, in an automatic operation of said electrical power generator, said power control module is configured to turn said electrical power generator on and off depending on at least one of a battery charge level and a host machine energy consumption rate.

20. (New) The power source as claimed in claim 1, wherein said interface module has a wireless connection to said power control module.